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REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Recorded Feb 18, 1905,

M A Rego to James Wakefield Tr. Tr D; real personal and mixed property in Territory of Hawaii. B 270, p 37. Dated Feb 7, 1905.

Hawn Realty & Maturity Co Ltd to Mrs Elizabeth Iona, Rel; int in R P Jose R Gaspar and wf to Joso Rod-6100 kul 3431, Kapalaua, Walehu, Ma-rigues, M; lot 70 of Patent 4789, Kai-

Moses Miller to M A Rego, Confirmn D; R P 135, Kolon, Kauai. \$1. B 270, p 45. Dated Jan 27, 1905,

Co Ltd, L; int in por gr 2221, Paaullo, Hamakua, Hawaii. 50 yrs at \$200 pd. lot 34, Kaonoulu lots, Kula, Maul. \$300. B 263, p 270. Dated Feb 10, 1905. B 267, p 134. Dated Feb 17, 1905. Francis M Swanzy to Hamakua Mill

Co Ltd, L; 1-2 int in 8 1-2 acr of gr Pritchard, M; por lot 35 of gr 3703, 2221, Pasuilo, Hamakua, Hawaii; int Ahualoa, Hamakua, Hawaii. \$500. B in 15 4-10 acr of gr 2221. Panullo, Ha-makua, Hawali. 50 yrs \$5320 pd. B J Garcia to Emily Keelen, F 263, p 271. Dated Feb 10, 1905.

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MAUL March 4.-Wednesday morning Land Commissioner J. W. Pratt, accompanied by Surveyor S. M. Kanakanui, arrived in Kahului by the steamer Claudine and being joined there by Sub-Land Agent W. O. Aiken continued the voyage to Hana,

The trip to Hana was an especially rough one and on arrival the seas in Hana bay were so high that no landing could be made and they had to spend an uncomfortable night in toss-

ing about on the steamer.
On Thursday after landing they made the journey to Kipahulu in the rain over the new road recently completed by L. M. Whitehouse and J. W. Springston.

On Friday the party of three land officials went to Wailua and Keanae via Nahiku. At these places they looked over the government lands which it is proposed to open to settlers and consulted with various residents concerning local land matters. This morning the Claudine stopped at Keanae and brought the party to Kahului. Tonight Mr. Pratt spends with Mr. Aiken at Makawao and next week will view the Omapio (Kula) lands and consider other matters pertaining to the government domain.

LOCAL OPTION INDIFFERENCE. Maul citizens, at least a good part of hem, seem indifferent in regard to the proposed "local option" bill now before the legislature. It is generally admitted that the passage of such an act would not change the present status in regard to the sale of liquors in any precinct of this representative

A number of the island plantations would undoubtedly advocate such a neasure if they did not feel convinced they could be easily outvoted when the matter was presented at the polls

The local option law is certainly "a step in advance" but does not seem to appeal to the interests of Maui people

at the present moment. MUCH ARRESTED MAN.

On Tuesday the Paia Japanese named Selki, who was acquitted last Friday by Judge Copp when charged with the larceny of a ring from the hand of a dancing girl at Osaki's hotel. Pala, was again brought before the Makawao magistrate, this time charged with robbery of the ring from the woman, but the judge refused to commit to the grand jury.

Then upon his discharge Seiki was immediately re-arrested and taken on Wednesday before Judge McKay Wailuku and the charge of robbery again entered, but his attorney, J. M. Vivas, made a motion to discharge the defendant on the ground that a man can not be tried twice for the same of-fence, which motion was granted by the Walluku magistrate.

SOCIAL EVENTS.

Saturday afternoon last Mrs. H. P. Baldwin gave a picnic luncheon at "Maluhia," Makawao, in honor of her sister, Miss Mary Alexander of Oak-land. Twenty-four ladies were pres-

Saturday evening a dancing party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Taylor of Hamakuapoko. A string band furnished excellent music and a most enjoyable time was reported. Forty young people were present. This was the fifth consecutive Saturday evening dance given recently in Makawao district.

FARMING IN KULA.

The Kula farmers are now all busy the upper lands being in May. They are planting some potatoes but less than formerly inasmuch as potatoes do not do so well now as in the years before the visitation of the blight

When asked why they (the farmers) do not vary the crop in order to rest their lands, they reply that they know of no other product so marketable as corn. They state that, though they can raise beans, they can not be kept long on account of weevils

The steamer Nebraskan arrived in Kahului on Monday from Honolulu and has been busy all the week taking on board a sugar cargo,

Weather-A good rain on Wednesday breaking the drouth. The rainfall amounted to several inches, 2.50 to 2.90 though in upper Kula they had

E C Greenwell (widow) to C J Hutchins Tr. Can L. pe land. Auhaukeae, N Kona, Hawaii. B 273, p 41. Dated Sept 19, 1904.

E C Greenwell (widow) to Venan-cio L de Almeida, Can L; pc land, Pahoehoe I, N Kona, Hawaii. B 273, p 42. Dated July 12, 1904.

Antone de Suza and wf to Manoel Cravalho, M; lot 5, Paaullo Homesteads, Hamakus, Hawaii, \$100. B 267, Dated Mar 13, 1903.

Geo Osborne to Kunishige Kindzuchi, D: por gr 4575, Niupea, Hamakua, \$120. B 266, p 122. Dated Feb 4, 1905.

Frederick S Lyman, Affdt; in re liber 253 fol 37, size of lot, Young St, Honolulu, Oahu. B 253, p 37. Dated Jan

\$400. B 252, p 94. Dated Feb 17, wiki Rd, Hilo, Hawaii. \$300. B 267, p 131. Dated Feb 8, 1905.

David Forbes to Joao Nobriga and wf, Rel; Patent 4111 and por Patent 4574, Ahualoa, Hamakua, Hawaii, \$750. Francis M Swanzy to Hamakua Mill B 244, p 258. Dated Jan 21, 1905, Yee Hop Tong to C D Lufkin, M;

B 267, p 134. Dated Feb 17, 1905. John C Pinho and wf to Joseph

J Garcia to Emily Keelen, Rel; 502-1000 acr land, Owa, Walluku, Maui. Mrs E C Greenwell to C J Hutchins \$225. B 260, p 196. Dated Feb 11, 1905. Tr. Can L; pc land, Puapuanui, N Ko-na, Hawaii. B 272, p 40 Dated Sept 27, D; pc land, Owa, Walluku, Maul, \$560. B 266, p 124. Dated Feb 11, 1905.

COMMERCIAL

BY DANIEL LOGAN.

Several cheering items occurred at the close of a week that was not notably brisk on the Stock Exchange. The Kinau's mail from windward ports brought word of refreshing rains in various sections where drouth had prevailed. Harry Armitage received a card stating that three inches of rain had fallen at Olaa and 3% inches at Honokaa, up to the 3rd, and that rain was general throughout Hamakua. A cablegram to the Henry Waterhouse Trust Co. announced that a monthly dividend of 20 cents a share on Paauhau stock had been declared. Prices remain about the same as at last week's review, with a few stocks considerably higher and bonds advanced. Following are the week's transactions, together with the February sales and March 1 dividends:

THE WEEK'S TRANSACTIONS.

Onomea (\$20), 10 at \$37; Oahu (\$100), 12, 6, 25, 10 at \$140; Kahuku (\$20), 50 at \$33, 100 at \$32, 5 at \$34; McBryde (\$20), 140, 100, 20, 580 at \$10; H. C. & S. (\$100), 18 at \$89; Ookala (\$20), 10 at \$8.75, 75, 10, 75, 45, 5, 80, 5 at \$8; Kihei (\$50), 20, 10, 110 at \$14, 8 at \$13.50; Olan (\$20), 100, 30, 200, 53 at \$6: Hawaiian Sugar (\$20), 22 at \$35, 10 at \$35.25; Pioneer (\$100), 50 at \$162.50, 46 at \$163; Waialua (\$100), 30 at \$77.50, to at \$78, 10, 5 at \$77.50; Wilder's Steamship (\$100), 25, 10 at \$140; Ewa (\$20), 25, 55, 40, 10 at \$32; Honokaa (\$20), 105 at \$22, 10 at \$21.871/2; Hawaiian Sugar 6 per cent. bonds, \$2000, \$5000 at \$102; Pioneer 6 per cent. bonds, \$5000, \$1000, \$2000 at \$103; Waialua 6 per cent. bonds, \$4000 at \$101.75. San Francisco quotations of March 2 show the market there in close harmony with the local exchange.

FEBRUARY SALES.

1732 Ewa, 30 to 33; 623 Haw. Com. & Sugar Co., 85.50 to 95; 337 Haw. Sugar Co., 33 to 35.25; 2915 Honokaa, 20.621/2 to 24.25; 410 Kahuku, 30 to 35; 1426 Kihei, 13 to 14.871/2; 13 Koloa, 150; 2463 McBryde, 8.75 to 11; 143 Oahu, 140; 40 Onomea, 37 to 40; 718 Ookala, 7.25 to 10; 550 Olaa, 6 to 9; 169 Pioneer, 162.50 to 169; 405 Waialua, 71.75 to 78; 25 Wilder's S. S. Co., 140; 26 Haw. Elec., 106; 5 Hon. R. T. & L. Co., (Pfd.), 100.50; 25 Hon. R. T. & L. Co., (Com.), 62,50 to 65; 110 O. R. & L. Co., 76.50 to 77.50; \$12,000 Ewa 6s, 102 to 102.50; \$7000 Haiku 6s, 102; \$1000 Oahu R. & L. Co. 6s, 102.75; \$1000 Oahu Sugar Co. 6s, 102; \$10,000 Paia Plant. Co. 6s, 102,50; \$10,000 Pioneer Mill Co. 6s, 102 to 103; \$6000 Waialua 6s, 100 to 101.75.

DIVIDENDS.

C. Brewer & Co., 2 per cent.; Ewa Plantation, 1 per cent.; Honomu, 2 per cent.; Waimanalo, 1 per cent.; Hawaiian Electric, 1/2 per cent.; Inter-Island S. N. Co. (monthly), 1 per cent.; Wailuku, 2 per cent. March 1: Haiku, 1 per cent.; Pioneer, 1 per cent.; Paia, 1 per cent.; Honokaa, 1/2 per cent.; Haw. C. & S. Co. (March 5), 1/2 per cent.; Onomea (S. F. March 5), 11/2 per cent.

WORLD'S SUGAR MARKET.

Willett & Gray's Journal (New York) of Feb. 16, gives statistics of the sugar crops of the world, for the year 1904-1905, from which the following footings are taken: Total cane sugar production (W. & G.), 4,638,000 tons, against 4,251,189 the previous year; European beet sugar production (Licht), 4,658,000 tons, against 5,864,938 the previous year; U. S. beet sugar production (W. & G.), 209,000 tons, against 208,135 the previous year; grand total cane and beet, 9,505,000 tons ,against 10,324,262 the previous year; estimated decrease in the world's production, 819,262 tons. It was aimed to include the entire sugar production of the world, including those crops that have heretofore been ignored in statistics. The figures include local consumption of home production wherever known.

Total stocks and afloats, together Willett & Gray say in their issue of Feb. 16, shows a visible supply of 2,916,244 tons, against 3,794,302 tons last year. The following items from W. & G.'s Journal are interesting:

EUROPEAN BEET CROP.-Mr. F. O. Licht cables us specially from Magdeburg, February to, 1905: "Estimate Austria 893,000 tons sugar." (This shows a reduction of 12,000 tons in Mr. F. O. Licht's previous estimate for Austria.)

February 13, 1905.—"Estimate beet crop of Germany 1,575,000 tons." (This shows a reduction of 15,000 tons in Mr. F. O. Licht's previous estimate of the German crop.)

February 16, 1905.—"The sowings in Germany promise to be 12 per cent. larger than last year." (This shows a reduction of 3 per cent, in Mr. F. O. Licht's previous estimate of sowings in Germany.)

CUBAN CROP ESTIMATE,-Our estimate of 1,200,000 tons sugar crop of Cuba was published October 20, and was based upon normal weather conditions and the expectation of harvesting beginning at the usual time. The grinding began very early and has since proceeded favorably and rapidly. It is now evident that the early start enabled planters to produce 50,000 tons more than would otherwise have been possible and, therefore, we increase our estimate of the total-crop to 1,250,000 tons.

Latest reports show a smaller tonnage of rattoon canes, but a higher percentage of saccharine contents, with five more centrals grinding than the largest number operated at any time last year. The amount of total production is, of course, dependent upon the time when the heavy rains set in and stop grinding.

SUGAR BEETS DUTIABLE AS VEGETABLES.—The Board of General Appraisers on February 11, decided that sugar beets imported to be manufactured into beet sugar are dutiable as "vegetables in their natural state" at the rate of 25 planting their corn, that is, on the per cent. ad valorem under the Dingley Tariff Act. The case involved an imof Port Fluron. The sugar company protested against the action of the collector in classifying sugar beets as "vegetables," and contended that the beets should be allowed free entry under the paragraph for "crude vegetable substances."

GENERAL REVIEW.

Jas. F. Morgan yesterday sold at auction, under foreclosure of mortgage by W. C. Achi to Wong Wa Fay, remnants of land at Puunui to the Henry Waterhouse Trust Co. for \$3900; also, by judicial authority, the interest of C. J. Holt in lands at Waianae to D. H. Lewis for \$600. The sale some time ago of the old Castle & Cooke premises at King and Bethel streets, 10,180 square feet with 2-story stone building, by S. N. Castle Estate, Ltd., to C. M. Cooke, Ltd., for \$20,000, has been recorded.

Harry Johnson, custom house broker, received a cablegram yesterday from his attorney, Thomas Fitch, announcing a decision in his favor of the sake (Japanese liquor) cases by the New York Circuit Court of Appeals. The decision involves a refund of half a million dollars of duties paid under protest at this port. Judge Matthewman of the Third Circuit Court, Kailua, has rendered a decision, on new trial ordered by the Supreme Court, in favor of C. J. Hutchins trustee of Kona Sugar Co., against Kapiolani Estate, Ltd., for possession of the mill premises. It is the third major decision in favor of the trustee, in different lawsuits, the effect of the decisions being to wipe out \$200,000 of bonds, \$500,000 of capital stock and \$400,000 of floating debt of the company.

The Hygeia Soda & Ice Works Co., to operate at Kahului, Maui, with a capital stock of \$10,000, has filed incorporation papers. It includes electric light and power generation in its powers. An opinion rendered by the Attorney General to the Governor is adverse to an extension of the franchise of the Kohala-Hilo Railroad Co. The Rapid Transit Co. proposes to extend a spur track to the Iwilei oil tanks for the purpose of facilitating the carrying of oil to its power house. Ninety barrels of oil from seven whales taken near these islands within the past fortnight by the whaling bark Andrew Hicks would indicate that the whaling industry in these parts is not yet extinct. Crimping has been abolished, at least for the present, at the port of Honolulu. Ships now obtain their crews exclusively through Capt. I. Bray, superintendent of the Sailors' Home. Governor Carter asks \$2000 as an emergency appropriation from the Legislature to defray the expense of putting out forest fires on the Island of Hawaii. Forester Hosmer is on the ground superintending the work and the latest reports are encouraging of his early success. The Attorney General has begun a campaign of prosecuting usurers and legislation to suppress usury is being promoted.

T Burlem and wf to R A Wadsworth, M: pc land, Owa, Walluku, Maul. \$250. B 267, p 139. Dated Feb 11, 1905.

T Burlem and wf to Emily Keelen. M: pc land, Own, Walluku, Maul, \$280. B 268, p 178. Dated Feb 11, 1905. John K Kekapai and wf to Haleakala Ranch Co Ltd, D; R P 2200 kut

9024, Puupilo, Kula, Maui. \$150. B 266 p 125. Dated Feb 12, 1995.

Onomea Sug Co to Helen W Edmonds and hsb, Rel: por gr 1955 bldgs. etc, Aleamai, Hilo, Hawaii. \$380. B 260, p 236. Dated Feb 17, 1905.

Kauha and wf Alexander Young, D; R P 4249 and 624 sq ft land, Wal-Dated Jan 10, 1905,

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The whole floor of the crater is covered with lava which is in constant action. The pit is filling up rapidly.

SEEING THE ERUPTION.

Dr. Archer Irwin is author of the folkiki, Honolulu, Oahu. \$1. B 270, p 47. lowing notes of a visit to Kilauea volcano in action:

"What can be seen in 10 minutes at the brink of Halemaumau. I arrived dark shadows to imagine Vulcan and at the Volcano House about 5 a. m. "Nothing but the blackness of dark- Paradise, if Madam Pele continuing its use for a short time. It ness relieved by a few lines of fire, promise to Hilo. We would need will cost you but a trifle to try it. Sold Suddenly and in an instant the whole other Princess Ruth to remind her by all dealers and druggists. Benson, bottom of the crater is one living mass was back to the Volcas Smith & Co., Ltd., Agents for Hawaii, of molten lava. From the middle a a. m. March 3, 1965." bottom of the crater is one living mass was back to the Volcano House by 6:39

stream of liquid fire poured over all, and before my awe-stricken gaze a lake of an acre in area of bubbling, spouting fire formed.

"The remarkable feature of it all was the rapid manner in which the red mass blackened. It only needed a few his helper forging the thunderbolt of

Left the house at 5:30 a, m., arrived Jove and such thunderboits, at the edge of the hot pot about 5:50. "God help you, good people of this ness relieved by a few lines of fire, promise to Hilo. We would need an-